

# Congress of the United States

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The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chair  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Brighton Core City Water Line Replacement in fiscal year 2024.

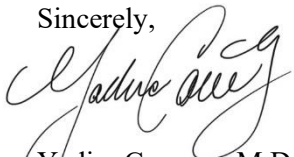
The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Brighton, located at 500 S 4th Avenue Brighton, CO 80601. The funding would be used for the construction of new drinking water distribution lines to replace aging, dilapidated and undersized lines that are currently installed. The construction of the project will include the removal and replacement of the roadway surface, water main, valves, several hydrants and the reconnection of residential and commercial water service lines. During the construction of the project, any water service lines that are found to be made of material other than copper will be replaced to protect public health.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this portion of Brighton is home to at-risk populations that are disproportionately experiencing loss of water service while repairs are made because of consistent breaks in these lines. In 2022 alone, there were 20 water main or service line breaks in the area of the project. It is estimated that approximately 5.9 million gallons of treated water were lost due to these breaks. As water breaks are constantly repaired in the same vicinity of the water distribution system, weak spots in the system continue to experience further breaks. Because these breaks are consistently occurring in the same area, the same people are experiencing disruptions over and over again.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j-12.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Yadira Caraveo, M.D.  
Member of Congress